

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Claim 15 was rejected under 35 USC 112 and 35 USC 102. Applicants respectfully disagree with the grounds for these rejections. However, claim 15 has been cancelled, without prejudice, in order to facilitate the prosecution of the present application.

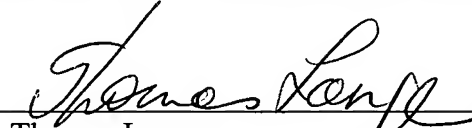
Non-elected, withdrawn claims 10-14 have also been canceled, without prejudice.

The present application is now in condition for allowance. Action to that effect is respectfully solicited.

It is believed that no fees or charges are required at this time in connection with the present application. However, if any fees or charges are required at this time, they may be charged to our Patent and Trademark Office Deposit Account No. 03-2412.

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